**Graduation Ceremony discussion notes**

**October 23, 2012**

**Student Recognition Advisory Committee**

* Formal ceremony
* Culminating event
* Tradition is important

**Music**

Recommended to be consistent:

* *National Anthem*
* Processional – *Pomp and Circumstance*
* Inspirational Interlude – all schools should have one that is performed by students

Okay to be individualized by school and from year to year:

* Recessional music choice
* Inspirational interlude music choice

**Seating**

Recommended to be consistent:

* Students ALL sit in alphabetical order (get student voice on where 4.0 students sit, e.g. in front row or with classmates, but once decided s/b consistent at all schools and from year to year)
* Faculty sits behind the student section
* Stage: Board of Trustees, Administrators, speakers (including student speakers, but they will go to their seats in alphabetical order to sit with their classmates when their speaking role is complete)

**Speakers**

Keynote speaker:

* Chosen by students (through a process developed and worked by student government; be sure to communicate final results to students)

Student speakers:

* Senior Class President
* Senior Class Vice President

Other speakers:

* Superintendent